Nebraska Department of Education



Native American Education Advisory Council

Goals, Priorities and Strategies for 2003

Improve Academic Achievement of All Students

Create and maintain leadership and coordination of education programs through a statewide infrastructure for Indian Education.	NDE/local
Implement data collection system for Native American students to assist program evaluation, tracking student progress and accountability.	NDE
Develop curriculum and educational programs that meet high standards (LEARNS); are meaningful and applicable; and include the culture of Native American tribes and families.	Local
Develop educational support services for schools and communities needed to ensure students' progress in school leading to graduation and post-secondary opportunity.	NDE
Involve families and tribal leadership in support of schools and student achievement.	NDE/local
Develop Native American educational guidelines that will meet the expectations of urban, rural and reservation Native American families and communities.	NAEAC

Develop Policy and Funding Strategies that Provide Adequate and Sustained Funding

Develop state strategies that interact with federal funding to provide adequate funding for academics, support programs, and activities.	NDE
Develop funding strategies for construction and/or reconstruction, maintenance of building and facilities.	Local
Create clearinghouse of information on grants and funding opportunities for educational programs including curriculum.	NDE
Develop capacity In the Native American educational community to plan, write and implement grants from federal, state, private and corporate sources.	NDE

Build Community Leadership and Pride

Develop effective ways to increase involvement of families and community in school decision-making and carrying out programs and services.	Local
Identify and disseminate asset building models for use by Native American communities to change the educational environment for their children.	NDE/local

Attract, Retain and Sustain Quality Teachers and **Administrators**

Develop programs to help educators gain professional competency, and learn about native cultures.	NDE/local
Develop programs at the community college and university level that support successful completion of teacher and administrator programs for Native American students and those who serve Native American youth.	NDE

Create Strong Partnerships and Collaboration

Identify other agencies in the state that work with Native American youth and create links that increase communication and common goals and actions.	NAEAC
Create MOU's with agencies and organizations that support Native American leadership and quality education for Native American children.	NDE